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### HOWARD MELVIN

THE death of Howard Melvin, senior editor of the Denton Journal, removes from the newspaper field of Maryland one of its oldest and ablest members. Since early life Mr. Melvin has been connected continuously with the Denton Journal and was the oldest editor, in point of continuous service, on the Eastern Shore.

Mr. Melvin was a man of modest, quiet and courteous disposition, which had won for him the abiding friendship of every one with whom he came in contact, while his firm adherance to his convictions also established the utmost respect and confidence. For thirty years he has been the editorial writer of the Journal, which he has made a steadfast and influential instrument for the betterment of civic conditions and the perpetuation of sound Democratic principle as interpreted from his viewpoint.

Mr. Melvin was an honored and useful citizen and his sudden death was a distinct shock as well as a serious loss to the community which has benefited for so many years by his unselfish and consciencious work.

### PAPERS ON THE STREETS

THE streets of Denton, especially around the business section, are continually strewn with papers, some newspapers, wrapping paper, envelopes and papers of all descriptions. Merchants open their packing boxes on the street or alleys and let the papers on the ground to be blown hither and yon by the four winds of the heavens.

If Denton is to be kept a clean, beautiful town, we must keep the streets free of papers and other trash. Would it not be better for the Town Commissioners to permit the merchants to build small bon fires in the rear of their properties during certain hours in the mornings than to have the streets littered with these same papers that fly about the streetsa and lawns?

Most up to date, progressive towns have paper cans placed conveniently about the town for the depositing of paper and rubbish which pedestrians otherwise throw on the streets or pavements. Cannot the Town Commissioners or the Community Club provide these refuse cans for the disposal of the papers and thus rid the town of the paper nuisance?

Everybody help make Denton beautiful.

### PUT DENTON ON THE MAP

DENTON is going to have a live baseball team this summer. A number of men have organized a base ball club and propose to give to Dentonians a summer of good base ball. In order that they can do this they must be able to secure a plot of ground on which to lay out a diamond. The managers are looking for some property owner who owns a vacant ffeld in or near town to come forward and donate the land to the club for their use for the summer.

If these base ball fans are encouraged in putting up a good strong team, Denton will reap many results from it which will return many fold to the merchants and business men in return for any funds which they may be asked to donate to this cause.

A well managed base ball team is a valuable asset to any community. Denton being the County Seat of Caroline County, and also centrally located, is well situated to draw crowds from all over the county to see the ball games, providing she can put on the field a strong, winning team. These men who have determined to play ball must be encouraged by the business men in order to give them the proper financial and moral backing which they must have to put up a winning fight.

Help the boys get a strong team and they will help bring the people to Denton and put it on the Map as a live county seat town.

## OUT OF LOVE CLUB BABY



This tiny tot could be easily "registered" from Virginia or Maryland by reason of the peculiar circumstances of his being placed in charge of the Salvation Army.

This six weeks' old infant was born in a Virginia Salvation Army Maternity Hospital. It is now being cared for along with its mother in the Baltimore Nursery. As soon as the mother is able, a position will be found her in which she will be permitted to keep her baby.

No matter how destitute, forlorn, and hopeless these little foundlings seem, The Salvation Army nurses give them just as much attention, love and scientific care as is bestowed upon a cherished infant in its own family.

A number of babies picked up in alleys, in ash barrels, garbage cans, doorsteps and on trains have received a chance of life by being placed in these Salvation Army Institutions. It does not take many minutes to transform a dirty, neglected, ailing infant wrapped in rags and newspapers into a little patient in snowy garments like the one above. Though the Salvation Army nurses receive a very small per cent. of the pay of a regular trained nurse they give the same amount of scientific study and care to the physical welfare as is true in regular hospitals. They also wear a white uniform. Everything in connection with their Maternity Hospitals, Rescue Homes and Nurseries, is as spotless as work and their many years experience in these lines can make it.

## MAKING BAD MEN GOOD

### Effective Revolutionary Method Use by the Salvation Army in Prison Work.

During the last year The Salvation Army has found employment and given financial aid to 2,800 discharged prisoners. The old story of the man who cannot find a job because he has "done time" is a thing of the past, for The Salvation Army is always willing to find him employment. The old tale of the convict who is driven back to crime through poverty and friendlessness is out of date, for The Salvation Army is daily applying its theories of practical Christianity to the prison problem.

In 383 prisons and reformatories during the last year, 8,000 religious meetings were held under the auspices of the Salvation Army. They were attended by more than 260,000 prisoners and more than 9,500 men and women declared their intention of becoming self-respecting and useful members of society.

Nor does The Salvation Army confine its prison activities to convicts and ex-convicts. The entire family is frequently cared for and protected by The Salvation Army. Food is provided where there is want, shelter is given to the homeless, and a spirit of forgiveness is instilled in order that the family may be ready to welcome the transgressor on the day of his release.

In connection with the work of The Salvation Army, both inside and outside of the prison gates, some of the most remarkable stories might be told. Among the conversions made during the last year are some of the most notorious criminals in the United States—men who were old-timers hardened offenders who had spent the major portion of their adult years behind bars. And in almost every instance the conversion has been sincere. Out of the scores placed on parole to The Salvation Army from every State and every county during the last year, only eight per cent. of the entire number failed to make good, the remaining ninety-two per cent. report regularly to The Salvation Army once each month and are quickly becoming hard-working, self-respecting men and women.

Among the recent activities of the Prison Department of The Salvation Army is the Lifer's Club, an organization composed exclusively of the 152 men who are serving life terms in the penal institutions of this country. The purpose of the club is to give the lifer something to occupy his mind—something to keep him in contact with fellow prisoners in other institutions and with the outside world. The officers of the organization are lifers, the members are lifers, and it will not be long before a magazine, edited by lifers, will be circulated by The Salvation Army through every prison in the United States, as a message of cheer for the present and hope for the future.

## GOOD MATERIAL FOR BOILERS

### Variety of Pumice Stone Is Coming Into General Use in Japan—Has Many Advantages.

"Koka Seki" is a variety of pumice stone which, as far as now known, reports Vice Consul H. T. Goodier of Yokohama, is only found in the small group of Niijima islands (New Islands), which lie off the coast of the Idzu peninsula, about ninety miles south of Tokyo. Though used in Niijima from ancient times as a building material, only comparatively recently has "Koka Seki" become known commercially in Japan proper. Because of its durability, high tensile strength and capability of resisting 1,300 degrees C. of heat, it is suitable for boiler and furnace construction as well as inner linings of safes and the manufacture of ice chests. As it is claimed, it can be easily cut, will take a surface of paint or metal plating, and as nails can be driven in, it is thought that the uses of this material will greatly increase. It is however, in re-enforced concrete barge building in Japan that it is best known.

### Maeterlinck Loses a Dog.

Maurice Maeterlinck has a special weakness for animals in general and for dogs in particular. He was greatly distressed, therefore, when, the other day, a gentle little Pekinese which he owned was bitten by Alaska, an ill-mannered Eskimo dog, brought back from America by the poet.

The little dog's injury was severe, affecting the eye, and M. Maeterlinck, finding the animal's sufferings insupportable, called into consultation one of the best eye specialists in Nice. After a careful examination the physician declared that an operation was necessary. The four-footed patient, however, unable to take an anesthetic, died under the knife.

Now for services rendered, the specialist has charged M. Maeterlinck the sum of 600 francs, which le maitre refuses to pay. The physician has gone to court with the matter.—From Le Petit Parisien, Paris.

### Good Work Is Costly.

The remarkable difference in prices of tennis rackets is not so much due to the difference in the cost of the raw materials of which they are made as to the kind and amount of labor on their making, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington. Best tennis rackets are works of art, and the skill of the worker is reflected in the price as much as in any other article belonging to sport and athletics.

## CHARMING BRICK AND STUCCO HOME

### For Small Family in Moderate Circumstances.

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According to all indications, the big demand by home builders for several years to come will be for small homes. Thousands of families, in an effort to get away from the exorbitant rents of the apartments in the cities, will build homes of their own, and because of the cost and their limited means, these homes will necessarily be small. But they will be as complete and just as modern as any pretentious home on an exclusive boulevard. The building art has been developed to the point where the small home can supply the same comforts and conveniences that the larger and more expensive one has heretofore had alone.

With a small home the man is not worried over rents, not worried over a place for his children; he has plenty of room to turn around in, plenty of fresh air to breathe. And he is an independent citizen keenly interested in

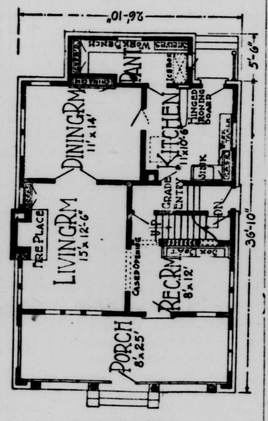


civic affairs because he is a taxpayer.

For the man of small family and moderate circumstances the charming little home shown in the illustration is most excellently adapted. It is attractive in appearance, reasonable in cost, and thoroughly comfortable from the standpoint of number of rooms, arrangement and equipment. Much of the comfort of a home depends upon the interior arrangement, for that is where the members of the family live and spend most of their time.

This house is brick and stucco in construction, with a gable room covered with prepared roofing shingles. The brick extends up about half way above the first floor. Set back as this home is on a terrace, it is reached by a very picturesque succession of stone stairways and walk.

The front porch is quite large, extending the full width of the house and screened in so as to make an admirable



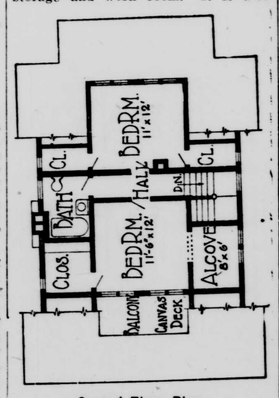

First Floor Plan.

lounging place on the warm days. Recessed as it is under the main roof, the porch is well protected by solid walls on either end. The front door is a single door, artistic in design. It opens into a small reception hall, which leads to the large living room on the left. These rooms are connected by a cased opening.

The living room is an extra large room, ideal for the family lounging and resting room. In the outside wall is a large open fireplace, and on one side of this fireplace is a wall bookcase. This room is the most important room in the house and consequently the most comfortable and attractive. French doors lead the way into the dining room, a room not quite so large, but perhaps more cheerful and brighter, an ideal place for the happy family around the dinner table. Windows 12 feet, and well lighted and ventilated by a row of windows in the front and rear dormers. Each bedroom has adequate closet space for clothing. The front bedroom opens out on to a small balcony with special prepared canvas flooring.

There will be thousands of small homes like the one shown here built this spring and summer. If they are planned along the same substantial lines, there need be little fear that they will not prove to be comfortable at side and rear provide an abundance of real daylight and insure splendid ventilation.

Between the reception hall and the kitchen, which is at the rear of the lower floor, is the grade entry and staircase to the second floor. The kitchen is a splendidly arranged room, equipped with many labor-saving devices of a novel nature, such as the built-in hinged ironing board which fits snugly, when not in use, into a niche in the wall, and various cupboards for utensils and the like. At one corner in a sort of wing is the pantry, a large room designed to be a storage and work room. It is also




Second Floor Plan.

fitted with several space-saving features of which the outdoor icing refrigerator will find much favor with the housewife. A swinging door connects the kitchen with the dining room.

The upper floor or half story, for this house is what is familliarly known as a story-and-a-half house, contains the two bedrooms, bathroom and a small alcove, 8 by 6 feet, which can be used as a sewing room. The bedrooms are of comfortable size, 11 by and ideal homes. Only through the protection and continued prosperity of the home can the nation hope to survive. In face of the present acute shortage it is imperative that building be started and carried out on a large scale. Otherwise we may have disturbances of a far-reaching character.

### In the Land of the Bosphorus.

It is early spring; the judas trees (our redbud) are in bloom, tinting the atmosphere pink like peach bloom, and the sheltered slopes on both sides of the Bosphorus are redolent of Damascus roses. Thousands of pigeons flutter in the melancholy cypress groves. Along the terraced hills are strings of palaces with steps leading to the water, cool pavilions, costly as gems, gushing fountains, fairy villas of cedar and stone, with terraces light as lace, summer houses, picture-like shapes floating up out of the depths and resting on air. Oh, how its beauty comes back to me now!—Susan E. Wallace.

### A Tug Question.

Jimmie was walking along the coast near the mouth of a river with his father, and he was very interested in the shipping. But at last he was very distressed to see quite a small tug pulling a great ship behind it. Every now and again the tug would give a shrill yell from its siren. When at last the tug's siren gave a more than usual pitiful screech, Jimmie burst into tears. Father took his boy into his arms in surprise. "What's my little man crying for?" he inquired. "Boo-hoo!" cried Jimmie. "I don't like that big ship pulling that little steamboat's tail and making it scream so!"

### Talks Incessantly.

"Millions are involved in this divorce suit."

"Well, what about it?"

"Oh, nothing, except that when money gets mixed up in a scandal it's more garrulous than ever."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

### Language.

Language is the armory of the human mind and at once contains the trophies of its past and the weapons of its future conquests,—Coleridge.

### Fish Thrive Under Water.

Water never gets colder than about 39 degrees. So no matter how thick the day, and no matter how thick the ice upon the stream or lake, the fishes are enjoying a temperature of about 39 degrees, and they move about in the water and gather supplies very well at that temperature. Through the clear ice one may see fish with their backs against it, where the temperature must be 32 degrees, and if you strike the ice above them lightly they dart away with pretty good speed. If you will strike the ice immediately above them with the back of an ax, or a sledge hammer, you will kill the fish. The concussion does the business and the fish will turn up its white belly upward, always. It is a common enough thing in some regions for the boys to kill the fish through the ice, and then to cut a hole and get them out.


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